



MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson

February 17, 1978 - August 3, 2021

MSgt Quinshayan (Kisha) Richardson a resident of Yokoto Air Force Base, Japan was born on February 17, 1978 to Carolyn Richardson and Roger Harrell in Montgomery AL. She was 43 years of age when she passed away Tuesday, August 3, 2021 in Fayetteville, Georgia.

MSgt Richardson received Christ at an early age and joined New Style Methodist Church and later joined World Changers Church International in College Park GA. During her military career she was spiritual and was involved in many church activities and supported numerous charities.

MSgt Richardson attended the Atlanta Public School System and the Elmore County School System. Upon graduating from Wetumpka High School in 1996, she was employed with Bank of America Corporation in Atlanta GA until 2003 when she enlisted in the U.S. Air Force completing her Basic Training in San Antonio, Texas and then was stationed at several AFB.

MSgt Richardson was loved and cherished by many, no one was more important to her than her family and friends, she sacrifice her time to help others whether it was a great or small need, she was strong and supportive to those she loved and bringing joy to others.

Aside from her family, MSgt Richardson greatest devotion was to the military. The Air Force provide her with the training to acquire both a Bachelor's degree in Business and a Master's degree in Accounting from the University of Maryland.

At an early age, MSgt Richardson began earning notable awards and honors during elementary school. Receiving a Clinical Support Excellence Award Army Achievement Medal, several Air Force Commendation Medal and Meritorious Service Medal awards for an outstanding performance. Furthermore, her exceptional management skills, accomplishments reflect great credit upon herself and the United States Air Force.

MSgt Richardson had many hobbies, she enjoyed listening to music, reading books, skiing, canoeing, riding her bike to work and travelling. She traveled around to the world to many countries including Rome, Athens, and Vatican City where she attended an Easter service at the to see the Pope and the Vatican Museums. Additionally, traveling was truly an amazing experience for her, learning the different ways people live.

MSgt Richardson is preceded in death by her father Roger Harrell; Grandfather George Lewis Murphy.

She leaves to cherish her memory a loving mother, Carolyn Richardson of Riverdale GA; grandmother, Odessa Grays, Wetumpka AL; two sisters Michelle Merriweather, Riverdale GA and Kaylan Harrell; Wetumpka AL; three brothers Avery Harrell and Darius Harrell; Montgomery AL; Errol Harrell; Wetumpka AL; Nine aunts, Sandra Grays, Wetumpka AL; Elunda Murphy-Wood, Latoya Murphy and Kasandra Murphy, Joliet IL; Sophia Murphy-Williams, Orlando FL; Charlsie Ann Wright, Glenda Harrell, and Dianne

Harrell, Montgomery AL; Elaine Harrell, St Louis MO; Four uncles, Larry Murphy, Cincinnati OH; Milton Murphy, Little Rock AR; John Murphy Joliet IL; Charles Harrell Montgomery AL; two great aunt LueVesta Grays, Los Angeles, CA and Francis Murphy, Montgomery AL; two great uncles Eulice Richardson, James Richardson, Wetumpka AL; a great-great aunt Tanzie Paschal, Tallassee; AL; One nephew, Braylen Love Merriweather; Special cousin, Fermon Grays; and a host of other relatives and friends.

MSgt Quinshayan (Kisha) Richardson held The Air Force Specialty Code 4A0X-Health Services Management.

This field plans, develops, manages, and performs health services activities in the Air Force Medical Service.

As the Flight Chief for Medical Readiness at Yokota, she performed and managed unit-level medical readiness functions. Her team conducted, coordinated, and managed medical deployment activities to include but not limited to scheduling, tracking, and reporting medical readiness training. Additionally, as a Senior Noncommissioned Officer, her primary purpose was mission accomplishment. She led people and managed programs while maintaining the highest level of readiness to ensure mission success.

Accomplishments

Quinshayan Richardson was a Master Sergeant in the United States Air Force. She held various positions throughout her career to include but not limited to:

- Flight Chief, Medical Readiness, Yokota, Japan
- Squadron Superintendent, Health Care Operations, Incirlik, Turkey
- Flight Chief, Medical Readiness, Ramstein, Germany
- Flight Chief, Resource Management, Mountain Home, Idaho
- Flight Chief, Medical Readiness, Spangdahlem, Germany
- Patient Advocate, Lakenheath, England

She earned a Masters, Bachelors, and her Associate Degree and she had completed all the educational opportunities commensurate with her rank in the Air Force

- Senior Airman Below The Zone, Randolph
- Army Achievement Medal, Deployed at LRMC
- Squadron Airman of the Year, Randolph
- Operational Readiness Inspection, Inspector General's Outstanding Team, Kunsan
- Outstanding rating in Health Services Inspection, Lakenheath
- USAFE Readiness Team of the Year, Spangdahlem
- Medical Group Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, Spangdahlem
- Air Force Health Plan Management Team of the Year, Mountain Home
- Squadron Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Quarter, Ramstein
- USAFE Senior Noncommissioned Officer Clinical Support Excellence Award, Incirlik

Previous Events

Viewing

AUG 11. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hillside Memorial and Gardens.
3274 Central Plank Road
Wetumpka, AL 36092

Tribute Wall



“ *Hillside Memorial & Gardens created a Tribute Video in memory of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson*



Hillside Memorial & Gardens - August 12, 2021 at 12:40 PM

MM

This is Michelle father u going to b really missed

Michael Merriweather - August 12, 2021 at 09:02 PM

MM

Rest in peace

Michael Merriweather - August 12, 2021 at 09:03 PM

DR

*With deepest sympathy to the family!
sharing in your sorrow.
Praying for our entire families--- God will give us the Strength to
endure!
Love to All!*

Ms Dorothy J Roberts (Montgomery Al)

Dorothy J Roberts - August 19, 2021 at 09:09 AM



“ Ms. Carolyn this is Sakari. I emailed Quinshan this morning and it came back the email was no longer in use. When I googled her I found out she passed. I am so devastated about my friend. I am baffled and hurt. Can you please reach out to me. sford256@hotmail.com ”



Sakari Ford - January 24, 2024 at 10:22 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson. ”



August 12, 2021 at 01:10 PM



“ 52 files added to the album LifeTributes ”



Hillside Memorial & Gardens - August 12, 2021 at 12:19 PM

SM

“ Sharon Mayfield lit a candle in memory of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson



Sharon Mayfield - August 12, 2021 at 10:34 AM

JK

“ My deepest prayers go to your family. I had the privilege to work with MSgt Richardson while she was at Turkey. We talked on the phone and emailed a lot working through her 4A0 challenges. She will leaving a lasting impact to me as knowing her as a very dedicated leader, focused on what was best for her people. She had a huge heart and touched so many people.

JoLynn M. Kari, CMSgt, USAF

JoLynn Kari - August 12, 2021 at 07:51 AM

AM

“ Sending lots of love to my sister Michelle Merriweather and her Mom Carolyn Richardson during this difficult time. Kisha was an inspiration to many, lived life to the fullest and traveled all across the world. She will be truly missed. Keep her mom and sister in your prayers.

Love Ashton Merriweather

Ashton Merriweather - August 12, 2021 at 02:50 AM

SB

“ *Sylvester Braswell lit a candle in memory of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson*



Sylvester Braswell - August 11, 2021 at 08:05 PM

PH

Carolyn, you and the family have my deepest sympathy. Will keep you'll in my prayers 🙏🙏🙏 Pamela Hines

Pamela Hines - August 11, 2021 at 09:24 PM



“ *Red Roses and White Carnations (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson.*



August 11, 2021 at 05:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson.*



August 11, 2021 at 12:01 PM

CC

“ *Continue to rest in God's arms, sweet angel.*

Cynthia Carstarphen - August 11, 2021 at 09:06 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson.



August 11, 2021 at 08:53 AM



“ MSgt Richardson was a sweet soul. She was adventurous, genuine and I learned so much from her as a young airman. May she rest in paradise forever.



Megan Smith - August 11, 2021 at 08:34 AM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson.



August 11, 2021 at 07:59 AM

JR

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Jennifer Randolph - August 11, 2021 at 05:26 AM

JR

“ Q and I first met at Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho. She was the trip traveling/planning queen and was down to just live life. RIP
❤️

Jennifer Randolph - August 11, 2021 at 05:09 AM

KO

“ I met Q when I arrived at Ramstein. I remember it fondly because we had a great working relationship as flight chiefs and talked about travel often. We even took a day trip to Belgium prior to her leaving to Turkey. She was incredibly kind, I am devastated by her loss and praying for family and loved ones.

Katherine Orozco - August 11, 2021 at 02:04 AM

3A

“ 374 Medical Support Squadron/Yokota AB purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson.



374 Medical Support Squadron/Yokota AB - August 11, 2021 at 01:40 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson.



August 10, 2021 at 10:38 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson.



August 10, 2021 at 10:03 PM



“ *Kanisha* sent a virtual gift in memory of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson



kanisha - August 10, 2021 at 09:49 PM



Thank you ❤️

Chelle Merriweather - August 10, 2021 at 09:51 PM

KA

“ Rest peacefully, God may have told you to come home for a reason but you will be missed so much... Your friends and family enjoyed your company on this earth
Love always, kanisha

kanisha - August 10, 2021 at 09:47 PM



Awww

Chelle Merriweather - August 10, 2021 at 09:51 PM

MM

“ Lost for words Kisha is not only my family my blood but my Air Force family as well tho my career was short she always kept me motivated...a lot of family wasn't able to come to my BMT graduation but she made time to come support her little cousin and it still means the world to me we didn't have many memories but I knew if I ever needed help or advice my big cousin was there and she still is here 4L!! I love you Kisha



Matthew Murphy - August 10, 2021 at 09:45 PM

CD

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Chastity Dodd - August 10, 2021 at 09:26 PM

CD

“ I was lucky enough to meet Q when we worked together in Germany. When we first met I thought she was going to be quiet...Boy, was I wrong :) There wasn't a day she didn't make me laugh or smile with a witty joke or her brutal honesty. She is a one of a kind genuine person, if you were lucky enough to be in her circle of trust you have a friend for life. She's going to be deeply missed by her family and friends but I know she's watching over us all.

I will miss you Q,
Chastity

Chastity Dodd - August 10, 2021 at 09:21 PM

JS

“ Q and I went through some challenging times while we were in Turkey. I will never forget how she was always calm and patient no matter the circumstance. I learned a lot from Q professionally and personally. She was a quiet and humble leader as well as a genuine friend.

Our hearts go out to Q's family. She was a strong woman who loved life and adventure. May she rest in peace and know the countless lives she touched during her brief time in this world.

Joy S - August 10, 2021 at 09:00 PM

CD

“ Chastity Dodd purchased the Simply Elegant Spa thiphyllum for the family of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson.



Chastity Dodd - August 10, 2021 at 08:52 PM



“ *My sister was a beautiful amazing soul* ❤️



Chelle Merriweather - August 10, 2021 at 08:49 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson.*



August 10, 2021 at 08:42 PM



“ *Q was a light. She always had a smile or a joke for me, mainly about my husband. She helped him steer the crazy ship that is medical readiness. Losing her is heartbreaking, we send our thoughts to her family and friends.*

Kathleen Fritzsche - August 10, 2021 at 05:24 PM



“ *We lost one of our best last week. Q was my first teammate, partner in crime, and mentor after commissioning and arriving at Ramstein. The way she lived her life, her enduring smile, and ultimate optimism left an impression on everyone she met.*

Q taught me so much, and I cannot believe she's gone. I send my thoughts and prayers to her family and friends.

Joshua Fritzsche - August 10, 2021 at 05:23 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson.



August 10, 2021 at 04:19 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket* was purchased for the family of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson.



August 10, 2021 at 04:02 PM



“ *MSgt Q was the sweetest soul. She was very passionate and one heck of an Airman. She has left a lasting impact on everyone here at Ramstein in Medical Readiness. In loving memory.*



Jordan P. - August 10, 2021 at 03:18 PM



“ *Violet Cabbage Rose and White Orchid* was purchased for the family of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson.



August 10, 2021 at 03:02 PM

MB

“ *Marthia Blowe-Edwards lit a candle in memory of MSgt Quinshayan Yakisha Richardson*



Marthia Blowe-Edwards - August 10, 2021 at 02:13 PM